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H.B. No. 1815

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to administration of the Homeless Management Information  
3 System in this state.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Section 2306.905(a), Government Code, is amended  
6 to read as follows:

7 (a) The council shall:

8 (1) survey current resources for services for the  
9 homeless in this state;

10 (2) initiate an evaluation of the current and future  
11 needs for the services;

12 (3) assist in coordinating and providing statewide  
13 services for all homeless individuals in this state;

14 (4) increase the flow of information among separate  
15 providers and appropriate authorities;

16 (5) develop guidelines to monitor the provision of  
17 services for the homeless and the methods of delivering those  
18 services;

19 (6) provide technical assistance to the housing  
20 finance division of the department in assessing the need for  
21 housing for individuals with special needs in different localities;

22 (7) coordinate with the Texas Workforce Commission,  
23 local workforce development boards, homeless shelters, and public  
24 and private entities to provide homeless individuals information on

1 services available to assist them in obtaining employment and job  
2 training;

3 (8) establish a central resource and information  
4 center for the homeless in this state; [~~and~~]

5 (9) ensure that the Homeless Management Information  
6 System is administered by the lead agency for each continuum of care  
7 in this state; and

8 (10) ensure that local or statewide nonprofit  
9 organizations perform the duties under this section that the  
10 council is unable to perform.

11 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.